

Regular Meeting of the City Council

Austin, Texas, Oct 5<sup>th</sup> 1903

Hon R. C. White Mayor, presiding

Roll Called

Present Aldermen Crookan Haynes Kline Macken Maddox Miller Moore Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate Snell & Ulrich 13

Absent Alderman Nitzenko 1

On motion the minutes were approved as recorded without reading

Petitions etc

The Mayor laid before the Council a petition from W.H. McLeod asking a franchise for a Gas Plant Read and on motion referred to the Water and Light Commission

By the Mayor Petition of Citizens for street work on W. 1<sup>st</sup> Street Read and on motion referred to the Street Committee

By the Mayor petition of Lieut Oglesby asking permission to use a part of the shed in front of the City Hall for an armory for the Austin Light Artillery Co. Read and on motion referred to the Marshal Committee & City Engineer

Reports of City Officers

The Mayor laid before the Council the reports of City Officers, except that of the Marshal, for the month of Sept 1903, which were on motion referred to their appropriate Committees, without reading

Reports of Standing Committees

Alderman Schneider for the Finance Committee

to whom was referred the reports of the Assessor and Collector, The Treasurer & the Clerk for the months of June, July & Aug 1903, presented a report, stating that same had been examined and found correct.

On motion the report was adopted.

Alderman Shelley for the Police Committee, to whom was referred the reports of the City Marshal for the months of Dec 1902, Feby March, April, May, June, July & Aug 1903, presented a report stating that they had been examined and found correct

On motion the report was adopted.

Alderman Ulit for the Cemetery Committee to whom was referred the report of the City Sexton for the month of Aug 1903, presented a report, stating that it had been examined and found correct

On motion the report was adopted

Alderman Redd for the Hospital Committee, to whom was referred the report of the City Physician

for the month of Aug 1903, presented a report stating that they had examined same and found it correct. On motion the report was adopted.

#### Unfinished business

Ordinance street  
from W 12<sup>th</sup> st

#### New business

E Meyer addressed Council

Resolution H & C &  
D & N R R to grade  
street

Resignation of  
Policeman Owens.

Accepted

communication from  
City Engineer Street  
work

S.S. & main W 12<sup>th</sup>

#### Unfinished business

The Mayor laid before the Council an Ordinance appropriating the sum of \$150<sup>00</sup> for the purpose of repairing W 12<sup>th</sup> street from Rio Grande to Blanco st. The ordinance was read the second time and on motion was laid on the table, subject to call.

#### New business

On motion of Alderman Crooker Mr E Meyer was permitted to address the Council on the subject of street improvements.

Alderman Moore offered the following resolution which was read and adopted.

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, that the City Engineer is hereby ordered to have the H & C and D & N R R Co's grade their tracks where they cross Long Ave so as to make said street passable at said points.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following communication

Austin, Texas, October 5, 1903

Hon R. E. White Mayor, and Harry Montgomery, City Marshal of the City of Austin Texas.  
Gentlemen:

I hereby tender this, my resignation to you, resigning the position of Austin City Policeman of the City of Austin and respectfully ask that the same be accepted.

Very Respectfully  
W.H. Owens.

On motion the resignation was accepted. The Mayor laid before the Council a communication from the City Engineer suggesting certain street improvements. Read and on motion referred to the Street Committee.

Alderman Nitscuke entered the Council Chamber Alderman Maddox called up the table an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$150<sup>00</sup> for the purpose of repairing W 12<sup>th</sup> street from Rio Grande to Blanco streets.

A motion was then made to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on its third reading which was lost by the following vote.

Yea Alderman Crooker Haynes Russell Redd  
Shelley Shumate Smith & Leib

Nay Aldermen Burns MacLean McAdoo Morris  
Nitscuke & Schneider

Dalaries Dog-Catchers By Alderman Maddox in ordinance appropriating the sum of \$160.00 for the purpose of paying the salaries of dog catchers for the months of Sept & Oct 1903.

The ordinance was read the first time and a motion made to suspend the rule and place it on its second reading, which motion prevailed by the following vote.

Yea Aldermen Crookshaynes Kume Macken  
Maddox Miller Moore Nitzeckle Redd Schneiden  
Shelley Shumate Smith Thelit

14

Nays none.

The ordinance was read the second time

Alderman Nitzeckle moved to amend same by striking out in the caption & body of the ordinance the figures "\$160.00" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$120.00" which motion prevailed. The ordinance was then passed under suspension of the rule by the following vote

Yea Aldermen Crookshaynes Kume Macken Maddox  
Miller Moore Nitzeckle Redd Schneiden Shelley  
Shumate Smith Thelit

14

Nays none.

Alderman Maddox moved that the City Clerk be directed to notify the Dog Catcher and his Assistant that these salaries would cease after the 15<sup>th</sup> of Oct 1903 which motion prevailed

By Alderman Shelley an ordinance requiring street Railway Companies, all lessors, Managers and receivers of street Railways operating or doing business within the corporate limits of the City of Austin to provide separate Coaches for white and negro passengers etc

The ordinance was read the first time

Alderman Maddox moved that it be referred to the Police Committee & City Attorney

Alderman Shumate moved as a substitute that it be referred to the ordinance Committee & City Attorney. The substitute was adopted by the following vote

Yea Aldermen Crookshaynes Kume Macken  
Miller Moore Nitzeckle Redd Schneiden Shelley Shumate  
Smith Thelit

12

Nays Aldermen Maddox & Miller

2

Alderman Haynes moved to reconsider the vote just taken which motion prevailed

On motion of Alderman Haynes the ordinance was referred to the Police Committee & City Attorney

By Alderman Shumate in ordinance appropriating the sum of \$50.00 for the purpose of purchasing a certain strip of land for street improvements.

The ordinance was passed under suspension of the

\$50.00 and  
in addition

rules by the following Vale  
 Yeas Alderman Crookshaynes Hume Macken  
 Madday Miller Moore Nitzeckie Redd Schneider  
 Shelley Shumate Smith Ulrich  
 Nays None. 14

Cleaning ditch Cornel Street

By Alderman Moore An ordinance appropriating  
 the sum of \$24.50 for the purpose of paying balance for work  
 on ditch on Cornel Street. The ordinance was passed  
 under suspension of the rules by the following Vale  
 Yeas Alderman Crookshaynes Hume Macken  
 Madday Miller. Moore Nitzeckie Redd Schneider  
 Shelley Shumate Smith Ulrich 14  
 Nays None.

\$17<sup>00</sup> Refunded to  
John McNamara

By Alderman Shelley An ordinance appropriating  
 the sum of \$17<sup>00</sup> for the purpose of refunding to John  
 McNamara that amount erroneously paid by him  
 The ordinance was passed under suspension of the  
 rules by the following Vale  
 Yeas Alderman Crookshaynes Hume Macken Madday  
 Miller Moore Nitzeckie Redd Schneider Shelley  
 Shumate Smith Ulrich 14  
 Nays None.

\$50. to complete  
Bell Tower.

By Alderman Schneider An ordinance appropriating  
 the sum of \$50<sup>00</sup> for the purpose of paying balance on Bell Tower  
 The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules  
 by the following Vale  
 Yeas Alderman Haynes Hume Macken Madday Miller  
 Moore Nitzeckie Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate  
 Smith Ulrich 13  
 Nays Alderman Crookshaynes

Austin Electric R.R.  
for fire hydrants

The Mayor laid before the Council a communication  
 from Ross Bruce Super Water & Light Plant of the City  
 enclosing an application from P. E. A. C. & L. Superintendent  
 of the Austin Electric Railroad Company asking  
 for a fire hydrant corner between 4th & 6th Streets  
 upon certain conditions - Read and on motion the  
 petition was granted.

Alderman Nitzeckie for the Street Committee presented  
 the following report:

Austin, Texas, Oct 5, 1903  
 Hon R. E. White Mayor, and Board of Aldermen  
 of the City of Austin, Texas.

Gentlemen,  
 We beg to hand you herewith the plans,  
 specification etc! of John B. Hawley for a stone sewer  
 on the main in the City of Austin and a street  
 the Mayor and Street Committee is instructed to  
 advertise for bids for the construction of said sewer

R. E. White  
Mayor  
1903

in accordance with said plans & specifications  
Respectfully submitted,

J. R. Nichols  
F. M. Maday  
Geo. L. Hume } Street Committee

Alderman Moore moved that the report of the Committee be adopted.

Alderman Shelley moved as a substitute that the report lie over until the next regular meeting of the Council. The substitute was lost by the following vote:

Yea Aldermen Haynes Miller Schneider Shelley  
Smith & Kelt 6

Nay Aldermen Crookshank Hume Macken Maday  
Moore Nichols Redd & Shumate 8

The report of the Committee was adopted by the following vote:  
Yea Aldermen Crookshank Hume Macken Maday

Moore Nichols Redd & Shumate 8

Nay Aldermen Haynes Miller Schneider Shelley  
Smith & Kelt 6

On motion the Council adjourned

Jno. O. Johnson  
City Clerk